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> Does anyone know how, in either HTML, Javascript, or Java, how to
 > have one **web page** prefetch images or **web** pages of another **web page**? I've
 > got two **web** pages, a large one and a small one, and I'd like to have the
 > smaller one prefetch parts of the larger one in the background, so it
 > won't take as long to load and view the larger one. Does anyone know how
 > to do this?? Any help would be great, please email it to me.

Sure,

Write a function that precaches all or some of the images from your larger
page. Call it from an onLoad or setTimeout handler.

Example:

```
function preCache() {
  var img = new Image();
  img.src="picture1.gif";
  img.src="picture2.jpg";
  img.src="textart1.gif";
  // etc...
}
```

```
<body onLoad="setTimeout('preCache()', 10000)">
```

The previous line says, "if the user sits on this **page** for more than ten
 seconds after it's loaded, start precaching images."

That should work... If not, you might have to call each "img" line a
 different name (ie. "img1", "img2", etc.)

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